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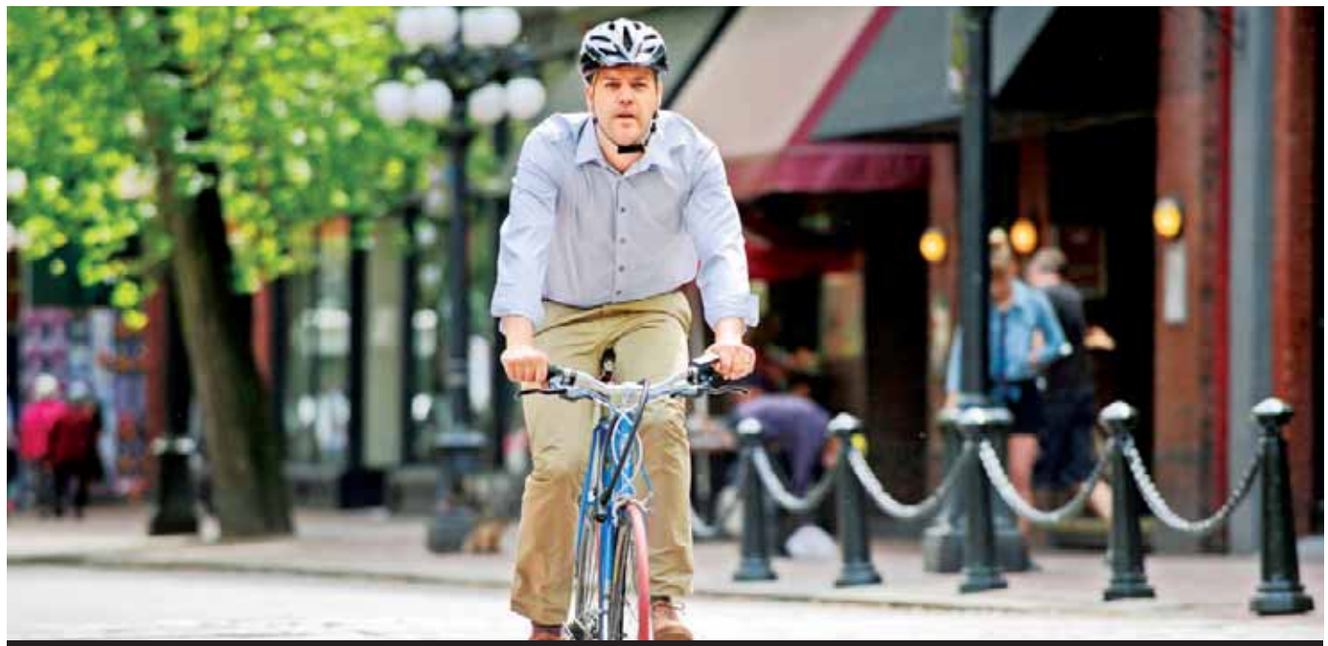
Atwood's next endeavour

Canadian literary legend's first opera to debut at York Theatre after collecting dust for more than a decade PAGE 4



A man cycles down Water Street in Gastown Thursday. A local cycling organization is calling on the city to fix the gaps in its cycling network, including adding a bike lane on Powell or Water streets. JENNIFER GAUTHIER/METRO

Cycling group calls for more lanes

Filling in the gaps. Councillor says HUB's proposed Gastown lane 'not on short list'

Bike lanes. Two words that have brought out some of the most passionate and divisive opinions from Vancouver residents.

Cycling advocacy group HUB feels the job is incomplete and the city still has plenty more work to do before putting the bike back on the rack.

"We know that cycling is the fastest growing mode of transportation in the region and the city of Vancouver, and so it's really important that these types of facilities are starting to be talked about," said HUB Executive Director Erin O'Melinn.

Currently there are too many gaps in the cycling network not just in Vancouver, but around the region, O'Melinn said.

One example is a four-kilometre stretch between the Vancouver Convention Centre and Wall Street bikeway (Lakewood Drive) where there is currently no bike lane.

"When you're at the Vancouver Convention Centre the Seawall just ends and it doesn't allow you to get through Gastown and to all those important destinations," O'Melinn said.

She would like to see a fully connected cycling network to allow for safe transportation for her and her fellow cyclists.

Looking around the city she doesn't see why any one group, whether it be drivers, pedestrians or cyclists, should have more choices than others.

"We think they should all have the opportunity to get around and have that transportation choice," she said.

But Vancouver city councillor Heather Deal said a bike lane going through Gastown, along either Water or Powell streets, is not likely to happen anytime soon.

"What we have is a plan called Transportation 2040 and that actually lays out the city's priorities and action plans," she said. "There's a mention of that route among many other ones, but it's not on the short list right now."

The city is very much married to their transportation plan, Deal said, as it was done in consultation with thousands of people and groups, including HUB.

Instead, the city is focusing on improving their already existing lanes and looking at the potential for new lanes near Commercial Drive.

"A lot of the bike lanes we currently have have had a lot of trouble at certain intersections, so a lot of effort's being put there," she said.

As for near the Drive, Deal said there's definitely enough ridership to justify something being done, but not before plenty of consultation.

Vancouver city councillor George Affleck doesn't see the need for a bike lane running through Gastown at all.

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Graffiti hits Komagata Maru memorial before centennial

Homophobic slur. This is the second time the memorial has been vandalized in six months

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The city rushed to remove graffiti that defaced the Komagata Maru memorial in Coal Harbour the week before the 100th anniversary of the ship arriving in Vancouver.

The homophobic slur was removed hastily from the panel last week so the memorial would be in tact for the Friday ceremonies, where community members and officials will remember the 376 British subjects from India who arrived by ship but were denied the chance to set foot on Canadian soil due to racist immigration laws.

"There's some small relief that it wasn't some sort of a hate tag related to the South Asian community," park board commissioner Aaron Jasper said. "We were fortunate we were able to deal with it right away."

Unfortunately the rust finish on one panel was ruined when it was cleaned, but the rust will return over time, Jasper said.

This is the second time the memorial has been vandalized in six months. In December, a man urinated on the monument in daylight after trying to pick a fight with a South Asian man. The suspect was not charged.

It's heart wrenching every time someone vandalizes the memorial that represents such a significant event, said Naveen Girn, project manager of Komagata Maru memorial activities happening across the Lower Mainland this year.

"The only way to combat it is through education about the Komagata Maru for all Canadians, not just South Asians," Girn said.

Eight organizations have teamed up to tell the story through art and exhibitions over the coming months. The goal is to see universities and high schools teach about Komagata Maru, along with other injustices from history including the Chinese Head Tax and Japanese internment.

"These are all our shared histories," he said. "We have to come to terms with that so we can move forward together."

The public ceremony begins noon Friday, the 100 anniversary of the ship's arrival. A rose will be placed for each passenger denied entry to Canada.

The Komagata Maru memorial in Coal Harbour on Thursday. JENNIFER GAUTHIER/METRO

B.C. teachers dispute escalates

B.C. Teachers' Federation president Jim Iker. THE CANADIAN PRESS

The contract dispute between British Columbia's teachers and the province continues to escalate, with government negotiators responding to the teachers' strike plans with a partial lockout and each side accusing the other of dragging students into messy negotiations.

The teachers and their employer offered dramatically different assessments of what precisely the tit-for-tat will mean for students in their final month before summer break.

The union painted a dire picture of exams left unmarked, student activities cancelled and graduation ceremonies in jeopardy — all laid at the feet of Liberal Premier Christy Clark.

In contrast, the B.C. Public School Employers' Association, which bargains on behalf of the government and its school boards, said the only thing that will be significantly affected is teachers' pay. The group promised after-school activities and grad celebrations won't be touched.

Jim Iker of the BC Teachers' Federation described the lockout as an attack on teachers. He branded the measure "Christy Clark's lockout" and urged parents to blame the premier if activities and graduation ceremonies are cancelled. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Atwood's words sing on stage

Pauline. Revered author's first opera debuts in Vancouver

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It's hard to believe the first-ever opera written by Canadian literary legend Margaret Atwood sat in a drawer collecting dust for more than a decade before anyone heard it.

But that's exactly where Atwood kept the libretto for Pauline, a chamber opera about Canadian writer-actress Pauline Johnson that is finally making its world debut Friday at the York Theatre in Vancouver.

Atwood, who sat down with Metro ahead of Friday's premiere, said she first started work on the opera more than 10 years ago.

The idea came about during a chance encounter in an elevator — "the way these things usually happen," she said — with conductor Richard Bradshaw of the Canadian Opera Company in Toronto.

Bradshaw suggested it might be a good idea for her to write a libretto for them.

Atwood agreed. But when she turned in the work, she said the opera company's composer at the time "did not really take to it."

"So it went into a drawer until the time that Charles Barber (City Opera Vancouver's conductor) called up and said, 'Did I have something suitable for Vancouver?'" Atwood recalled.

"It was actually better as a chamber piece than it was as a full-scale more traditional type of opera" that Bradshaw had wanted, she said.

Set in Vancouver in March 1913, Pauline tells the story of Johnson's final days before she died from breast cancer while her doctor tried to control her pain and her sister tried to control the story that would be told. The child of a Mohawk chief and a Quaker Englishwoman, Johnson was a "big deal" in her lifetime, said Atwood.

"She was very beloved, and her funeral here in Vancouver was the largest funeral that this city had ever seen at the time," she said.

Pauline marks Atwood's first real foray into the musical realm, save for a brief stint in her high school's senior choir.

But it was during her childhood that Atwood first became familiar with Johnson's work in her 1940s school reader.

Over time, Johnson was somehow dropped from the literary canon, until Atwood was put in charge of editing the New Oxford Book of Canadian Verse in English.

"I put it back," she said with a chuckle.

Now Johnson is again getting her moment in the spotlight, said Tobin Stokes, who composed the opera's music. A fan of Atwood's, Stokes said it was a little daunting to work with such an icon in Canadian literature.

"In my first email (to Atwood), I was about to hit send and then I thought, 'Oh my goodness, I'd better check my syntax and my spelling,'" he joked.

But working with her turned out to be a "wonderful" collaborative experience, he said.

Stokes said he hopes having Atwood's name attached to the project will help bring about a renewed public interest to chamber opera.

"It's an intimate opera, and it can really reflect society," he said. "I think we're just starting to see what chamber opera can do."

Tickets for Pauline are $60 and $22 for students. The opera, which is sold out for its opening performance, is showing May 25, 27, 29 and 31. For more information, visit cityoperavancouver.com.

Margaret Atwood at the York Theatre in Vancouver on Thursday. JENNIFER GAUTHIER/FOR METRO

Rose-Ellen Nichols stars as Pauline Johnson in Margaret Atwood's new opera, which opens at the York Theatre on Saturday. JENNIFER GAUTHIER/FOR METRO

Minding his apostrophes

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Anderson's mom 'numb' over sex abuse claims

Impact. Mother believes story could help young girls who have been through a similar ordeal

Pamela Anderson's mother says she is shocked and devastated by recent allegations her daughter made that she was sexually abused and gang raped as a child.

Carol Anderson, who revealed her heartbreak to British tabloid newspaper The Daily Mail, said she had no idea of the abuse her daughter allegedly endured while growing up on Vancouver Island. She is especially shocked her daughter kept it a secret for so long.

"I am kind of numb over it all, I sat there with my mouth open when I found out. My husband Barry and I always felt we were there all the time for the kids, so it's just terrible to hear this now," Carol said in the interview.

The Hollywood actress and animal-rights activist, who was born in Ladysmith, B.C., detailed the alleged sexual abuse during an emotional speech at the launch of her animal-rights charity foundation last week in Cannes, France.

"I did not have an easy childhood," Anderson said. "Despite loving parents, I was molested from age six to 10 by my female babysitter. I went to a friend's boyfriend's house and when she was busy the boyfriend's older brother decided he would teach me backgammon, which led in to a back massage, which led in to rape. My first heterosexual experience. He was 25 years old, I was 12."

Reached by phone Thursday morning in his Nanaimo, B.C., home, Anderson's father Barry told Metro he and wife Carol will no longer be talking to reporters about their daughter's claims.

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Pamela Anderson at Montage Beverly Hills. JONATHAN LEIBSON/GETTY IMAGES

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Roadblock report. Don't encourage drunk driving on social media: VPD

Social media connects us all to each other with ease, but should some of the information being dished out really be available?

The Vancouver Police Department (VPD) has been put in a tough spot recently by certain information being shared among Twitter users, particularly with accounts that tip others off about the exact locations of road blocks.

VPD spokesperson Const. Brian Montague said the department has no problem with people telling others generally about road blocks or speed traps, but pointing out the exact location can encourage people who are drinking that they can make it home without getting caught.

"We can't arrest someone on providing that information," he said. "But I think people have a moral obligation not to provide information that could potentially harm another person."

One Twitter user, @RoadblocksBC, had 19,000 followers as of May 22 and sends out tweets for various locations of not only speed traps or cellphone checks, but road blocks as well.

Compared to speed traps, telling others about road blocks puts people's lives in danger, Montague said.

According to @RoadblocksBC's Twitter bio their goal is to keep people updated on all road blocks, seatbelt checks, and road traps in the Lower Mainland. "Do not drink and drive!" it adds at the end.

Another Twitter user, @DrunkDrivingBC, recently led a social media campaign to bring awareness of @RoadblocksBC's account in an attempt to get them to stop.

But in the end police have no legal basis to shut down or pursue the operator of @RoadblocksBC, but Montague hopes people don't promote the exact whereabouts of their road blocks.

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After two deaths. RCMP closing access to Kwitzil Lake to stop parties

Prince George RCMP will close access to a lake where two teens died last weekend to stop another unsanctioned graduation party this weekend.

Police will block access to Kwitzil Lake on Saturday night after learning about a planned party at the location despite last weekend's tragedy, where an SUV carrying two teens plunged into the lake.

Kendall Moore, 17, and Craig Wood, 19, died. They were attending an unsanctioned after-prom party for Moore's high school.

"Given the horrible circumstances that surrounded this location last weekend, we believe we must take this action in order to prevent further harm and protect these youth," Insp. Brad Anderson said in a statement.

"The mixing of alcohol and other intoxicants with the high emotions of last weekend's tragedy, could lead to further incidents."

In the name of public safety and prevention, police will close the lake located 40 kilometres outside city limits.

Police ask anyone taking part in graduation festivities make responsible decisions. **EMILIY JACKSON/METRO**

Back to the land. Crown says sex offender just wants to avoid prison

A sex offender the Crown in Kamloops is seeking to have locked up indefinitely wants to go back to the land, not to prison.

In closing arguments at a dangerous-offender hearing on Wednesday, prosecutor Joel Gold said the claim by David Jennings of wanting to go back to live in the bush is just an excuse to escape being put away.

Gold said Jennings testified on his own behalf in the hearing, saying "my way of living is out in the bush so I can do my own thing and live off the land."

"There's no evidence he's done this (lived in the bush)," Gold told provincial court Judge Len Marchand.

"It's almost like a fantasy: 'I can escape all this and live by myself.' This is pulled out of thin air," Gold said.

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"This is pulled out of thin air."

Crown prosecutor Joel Gold, speaking about the claim of David Jennings to be allowed to go live in the bush.

The 50-year-old Jennings, whose latest conviction involved a young boy, testified that he doesn't remember his sexual offences against children in Alberta in the 1980s and 1990s and he denied fondling a boy in 2011 at a rural area outside of Kamloops.

The Crown wants to have Jennings labelled a dangerous offender which would give him an indefinite prison sentence following his last conviction. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

The best gelato in North America? Right here in Vancouver

Here's something sweet for Vancouverites to brag about. James Coleridge of the Bella Gelateria shop on the corner of Burrard and Cordova. Coleridge, right, and protégé Salvatore Boccarossa won the Gelato World Tour North America competition with their flavour: salted pecan with Montmorency tart cherries and Tahitian vanilla. The gelato masters will advance to the world champion finals held in Italy in September. JENNIFER GAUTHIER/METRO

Feds broaden B.C. Gas Tax Fund

Loosened rules. Expenditures in culture, tourism and sports now included

British Columbia's local politicians will have a harder time passing the buck on funding complaints to higher levels of government now that Ottawa has broadened its scope on the Gas Tax Fund, Federal Industry Minister James Moore said Thursday.

The federal government has loosened the reins on how local municipalities can spend almost $2.76 billion from the fund, allowing money for projects supporting culture, tourism and sports, instead of just infrastructure projects.

Moore said the 10-year-funding plan will force local politicians to follow through on their campaign promises, and a lack of money will no longer be an excuse.

"I think this is a now a good time for politics — 'small-p' politics in its most perfect form," Moore said, referencing the upcoming November municipal elections in the province.

Metro Vancouver's cities and municipalities will be receiving over half of that money and Vancouver Coun. Raymond Louie said the regional district plans on spending about 95 per cent of that on public transit.

"They've expanded the scope," he said. "They've expanded the duration of the fund and the amount of money in the fund — which are all positive things from a municipal standpoint, because it gives us stability."

The $2.76 billion in funding is in addition to $1.1 billion from the New Building Canada Fund, which gives the province $3.9 billion in federal funding over the next decade.

Coralee Oakes, B.C.'s minister of community, sport and culture, says the new flexibility in funding will allow local governments to better meet spending needs.

"I'm incredibly pleased," said Oakes. "It meets the needs of individual distinct communities."

Money from the gas fund has been used to support numerous projects in B.C. including new SkyTrain vehicles, the expansion of a recycling centre in Ladysmith and for green energy projects in Fort St. John.

The province and the Union of British Columbia Municipalities signed the first Gas Tax Fund agreement with Ottawa in 2005. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Canada to support seal hunt despite EU embargo

WTO. Challenging an EU ban on seal products has proven unsuccessful

Canada lost its bid to overturn Europe's ban on imported seal products Thursday, but seized on World Trade Organization findings that aspects of the embargo breach international obligations.

A WTO appeal decision released in Geneva upheld a previous ruling that the European Union ban is "necessary to protect public morals" regarding animal welfare.

It says the embargo "constitutes a means of arbitrary or unjustifiable discrimination," particularly because of how exemptions for seal products from Inuit or indigenous communities are handled. It also found "considerable ambiguity" in how terms such as "subsistence" are used for Inuit harvests. Canada appealed a November ruling that said while the EU seal ban undermines fair trade, those restrictions can be justified on "public moral concerns" for animal welfare.

At issue was a challenge by Canada and Norway of the 28-member EU's 2010 ban on the import and sale of seal fur, meat and other products.

Terry Audla, president of the Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami representing about 55,000 Canadian Inuit, said his people were never consulted and never agreed with the embargo or its uneven exceptions, adding that Inuit hunters are trying to feed their families and make a living in the modern economy.

"It is morally reprehensible for anyone to impede those goals, which are the basic rights of any citizen of the world," he said.

It's the end of the line for appeals at the WTO, but Fisheries Minister Gail Shea said Ottawa will continue to support the seal hunt through new product research and other measures.

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Seal hunt statistics

Animal welfare groups called the ruling a historic victory.

- About 900,000 seals are hunted globally each year, says the European Commission.

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Breaking the rules for little Humphrey

The Toronto Zoo is working with a Greater Toronto Area school to find the appropriate discipline for a couple of teens who hopped a fence at the polar bear maternity exhibit to touch a baby polar bear, named Humphrey, and take selfies with it while on a field trip. Zoo officials are using a video the teens took and posted it online in the investigation. CONTRIBUTED

Calgary

Man accused of murder found mentally fit for trial

A man accused of killing five young people in Calgary's worst mass murder has been found fit to stand trial.

Matthew de Grood, 22, is charged with first-degree murder after four men and a woman were stabbed to death at a house party last month. THE CANADIAN PRESS

B.C.

Orphaned cubs alive thanks to community efforts

Two orphaned bear cubs are alive and in a B.C. rehabilitation centre thanks to the efforts of some hikers, dirt bikers, nature photographers and wildlife experts.

The cubs were spotted Sunday on a rural road outside the southeast B.C. community of Cranbrook. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Alberta

Soldier dead after armoured vehicle rollover

The LAV III, which served as an eight-wheeled, armour-plated military workhorse for Canadian soldiers in Afghanistan, faced scrutiny Thursday after a rollover that killed Lt.-Col. Dan Bobbitt, a commanding officer in Alberta. Four other soldiers were also injured in the crash. THE CANADIAN PRESS

U of S. President fired amid controversy

University of Saskatchewan students who called for the school's president to resign say they're relieved that she has been fired.

Ilene Busch-Vishniac, who sparked controversy with planned budget cuts and with the firing of a tenured professor who spoke out about them, was herself let go Wednesday.

Nick Marlatte, who organized a rally earlier this week, said it's a good step toward restoring the school's reputation.

"I think it indicates that there's some hope that the quality of the university is going to be preserved and that the board of governors actually understands that people are not only upset but actually scared about the future of this institution," Marlatte said in a phone interview Thursday.

Prof. Robert Buckingham, who was also executive director of the School of Public Health, was fired last week after writing a letter to the government and Opposition about the cuts.

Busch-Vishniac admitted a few days later that the university "made a blunder" in its handling of Buckingham. He was offered back — and accepted — his tenure position, but was not be reinstated as head of the School of Public Health. The board made a difficult but necessary decision in firing Busch-Vishniac, Advanced Education Minister Rob Norris said Thursday.

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People attend a demonstration in Abuja, Nigeria, calling on the government to rescue almost 300 kidnapped schoolgirls. SUNDAY ALAMBA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Nigerian president gives protesters cold shoulder

'Bring back our girls!'

President sends proxy out to talk to crowd, statement urges them to stop criticizing

Scores of protesters chanting "Bring Back Our Girls" marched Thursday to Nigeria's presidential villa to demand more action to free nearly 300 schoolgirls abducted by Islamic militants, but President Goodluck Jonathan did not meet with them, leaving a proxy to deliver a lecture that further angered the demonstrators.

"Another small window for Jonathan and he refuses to use it!" one protester yelled. "What a stupid move!"

The protesters complained that Jonathan did not even meet some of the parents of abducted children who came to see him earlier this month.

Many schools across the country also closed Thursday to protest recent abductions and the killings of scores of teachers by Islamic extremists in recent years.

In Maiduguri, the northeast city that is the birthplace of Boko Haram, protesting teachers said they "can no longer tolerate government insensitivity to the plight of the girls and the education sector."

In Abuja the marchers sang, "All we are saying is bring back our girls," to the tune of John Lennon's iconic "Give Peace a Chance."

Cabinet ministers and aides told the crowd of about 300 people that Jonathan was not home. A message from the president was read urging Nigerians to unite and stop criticizing the government.

Civil society groups were counselled to "encourage Nigerians to supply useful information to the security services."

That inflamed the crowd since that is exactly what residents of Chibok did. If the military had responded to their warnings, the girls might never have been kidnapped.

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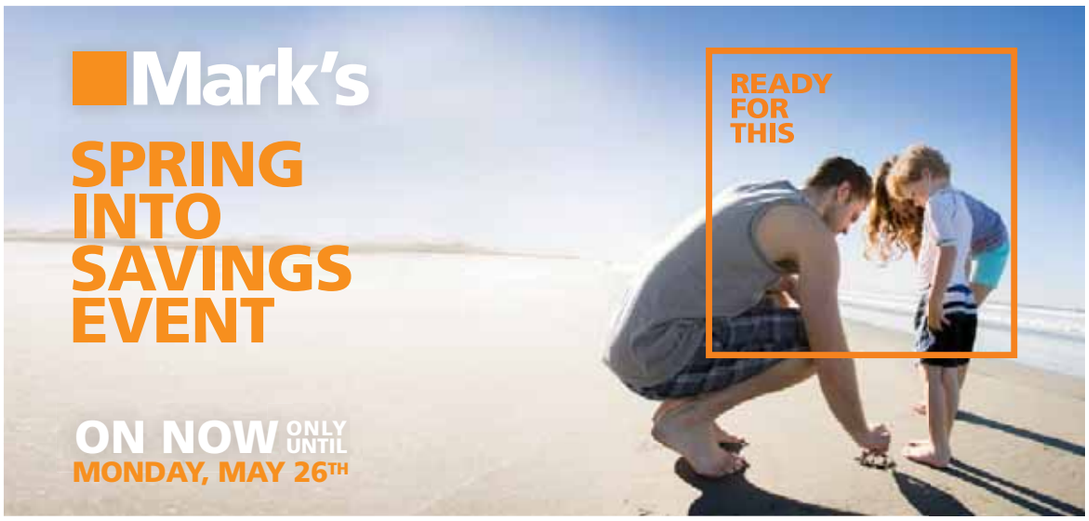
West blamed

Boko Haram — the nickname means "Western education is forbidden" — blames Western influences for endemic corruption that keeps most Nigerians in poverty despite the country's wealth of oil, minerals, agriculture and thriving movie industry.



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U.S. joins hunt for schoolgirls

Eighty U.S. Air Force personnel have begun their mission in Chad to help locate nearly 300 schoolgirls kidnapped in neighbouring Nigeria, a U.S. military spokesman said Thursday.

The girls and young women were kidnapped on April 15 from a school in the northeast Nigerian town of Chibok by an Islamic extremist group known as Boko Haram. The group's leader has threatened to sell most of the estimated 276 schoolgirls still being held into slavery unless the Nigerian government releases detained militants.

President Barack Obama told Congress in a letter Wednesday about the deployment.

Obama said the service members will help with intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance aircraft for missions over northern Nigeria and the nearby region.

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Death toll at 130. Search goes on for bomb victims

Family and friends of the wounded and missing continued to search for victims Thursday in the wake of two bomb blasts that rocked a bustling marketplace in the Nigerian city of Jos.

Residents say government action could have helped avert at least one of the two bombings Tuesday. The death toll has risen to at least 130, making them the deadliest bombings yet committed by Boko Haram extremists.

Market vendors said their suspicions were aroused by a white van that had been parked for hours under a pedestrian bridge, according to Mark Lipdo of the Christian charity Stefanos Foundation. He said they warned soldiers near a checkpoint, but nothing was done.

Many of the dead may never be identified, University of Jos student leader Dickson Odeh said after his group searched several hospital mortuaries.

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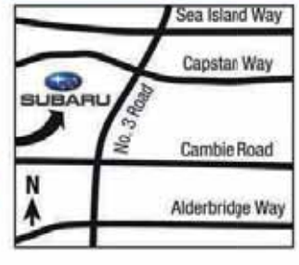

Bombings. 31 killed, 90 wounded in China attack

Attackers hurled bombs from two SUVs that plowed through shoppers at a busy street market in China's volatile northwestern region of Xinjiang on Thursday, killing 31 people and wounding more than 90.

The early morning attack in the city of Urumqi was the bloodiest in a series of violent incidents over recent months that Chinese authorities have blamed on radical separatists from the country's Muslim Uighur minority.

The two vehicles crashed through barriers at 7:50 a.m. and drove right into the crowds while setting off explosives, according to a statement by the Xinjiang regional government. It was unclear how many assailants were in the cars. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Government overthrown in Taiwan as military stages bloodless coup

Constitution scrapped. Nationwide curfew ordered; 18 government officials ordered to report to new governing military commission

Anti-government protesters raise fists and sing the Thai national anthem during a gathering in Bangkok on Thursday. SAKCHAI LALIT/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Thailand's military seized power Thursday in a bloodless coup, dissolving the government, scrapping the constitution and dispersing groups of protesters from both sides of the country's political divide who had gathered in Bangkok and raised fears of a violent showdown.

The powerful army chief, Gen. Prayuth Chan-ocha, announced the military takeover in a statement broadcast on national television. It was followed by additional announcements including a nationwide curfew from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. and an order for 18 government officials — including the ousted prime minister — to report immediately to the country's new governing military commission.

Soldiers kept a low profile in the centre of the capital. But as the curfew approached, troops diverted traffic at key intersections and used armoured personnel carriers to block some main roads, including the one in front of the U.S. Embassy. Soldiers dispersed most demonstrators from two protest sites where competing groups were camped out — one backing the now-ousted elected government and another that had struggled for seven months to unseat it.

Although the military insisted it wasn't taking sides, its ousting of the government met the key goal of the anti-government protesters. The pro-government "Red Shirt" supporters had earlier said they would not tolerate a coup, but there were no immediate signs of resistance or reports of violence. The military provided hundreds of buses to take the protesters home.

An army spokesman later announced that it had dissolved the caretaker government and cancelled the constitution, but the Senate would remain in place. He said Prayuth would assume the duties of the prime minister until a new one was in place.

The army also ordered the suspension of all television broadcasting and replaced programming with patriotic music to fill air time between announcements.

The coup was the 12th since Thailand's absolute monarchy ended in 1932. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Reaction

Canada denounces army action

Foreign Affairs Minister John Baird has condemned the military takeover in Thailand and is urging a rapid return to civilian rule.

"Canada condemns the decision today by the Royal Thai Army to seize control from Thailand's elected government, to suspend the Thai constitution and to restrict civil liberties," he said in a statement.

Baird says Canada wants action.

"We hope and expect the Thai military will return Thailand to civilian rule as soon as possible, respect democratic processes and the rule of law, ensure freedom of expression and assembly, and guarantee due process for those who have been detained."

Canadians travelling in Thailand are encouraged to register with Canadian authorities in order to get updates from the embassy, he added. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Olga Radchenko is heading back to her birth country — but not to visit relatives.

"The current situation has become so incredibly polarized," says the 28-year-old, who moved to Toronto with her Ukrainian family at the age of 10. "I want to play a positive role. I hope this can help resolve the crisis."

Radchenko left on Victoria Day as one of 500 Canadians observing Ukraine's election. For a third time in a decade, a large delegation of Canadians are taking weeks off work to head to Ukraine. They'll be attending campaign rallies, inspecting polling stations and watching ballot counts.

"I feel nothing short of honoured," says Radchenko, echoing two other election observers who spoke to Metro. "I think it's a great role for Canada to play."

Governments who struggle with corruption often invite election observers from other countries to deter voter fraud, bolstering an election's credibility. Ukraine's Sunday election is being monitored by the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE), a group supported by 57 governments including Canada, the U.S. and Russia.

Radchenko has a good understanding of her 10-day duty as a short-term observer.

"The general job description is to be an unbiased observer of the electoral process leading up to the election; and the days of the vote counting, to watch carefully and to record what's happening."

The OSCE gives observers intensive training upon arrival in the country of the vote. Observers normally wear a lanyard, which election officers are trained to recognize. Observers are instructed to watch for anything that leads to an unfair vote.

Some examples given by monitoring groups include: making sure ballot boxes are empty before voting starts, verifying poll booths are secure, watching for intimidation, listening for campaigning from election officers, detailing how many ballots were disqualified and why, and making sure ballot boxes aren't whisked away.

Most monitoring groups require observers stay in groups of two. Generally, observers don't speak or ask questions unless they're senior monitors investigating an incident. Observers take meticulous notes — often a detailed form for short-term observers — and report to their team leader, who supervises groups of five to 20 people. The findings are usually tallied in a brief report shortly after the vote and a more detailed one afterward.

Long-term observers like Michael MacKay of Ottawa are in Ukraine for up to 10 weeks. They're monitoring campaigns and media coverage and tracking the electoral commission's logistics down to individual polling stations. Generally, they issue weekly reports and welcome the short-term observers.

"There's an external pressure that was not present last two terms," says MacKay, who also monitored Ukraine's vote in 2010 and 2004, when Canada first sent a large delegation. "The stakes are higher than they've ever been."

Governments who send delegates usually assign independent organizations to recruit and select observers. OSCE guidelines suggest candidates with prior monitoring experience and language skills. Most observers get their foot in the door by applying for a country they've studied or lived in, according to Canada's main civilian-reserve group, Canadem.

Many of the 1,500 Canadians who applied to observe Ukraine's election are among the 1.2 million Canadians with Ukrainian roots. There's also a contingent of academics who observe multiple elections. MacKay worked with people who had served in Kosovo, Sri Lanka and Haiti.

Transportation, insurance, meals and accommodation are covered by the governments — our government estimates the 500-strong delegation will cost $10 million.

But for the observers it's a big time commitment for a vote with no guaranteed outcome, as Metro's Saskatchewan columnist Christina Cherneskey knows well.

"To call the 2012 election democratic is a sham. I left without even knowing who won," Cherneskey recalls.

While voting went smoothly, she had to stay up all night to make sure nobody tampered with the ballot boxes. When someone finally came in the morning, they drove the ballots to the district office, where things seemed chaotic. Inside, it was an "exhausting, intense fiasco" where every scribble and acronym was used as an excuse to toss out votes.

"I left feeling empty," she said.

Past votes

Canada regularly sends handfuls of experienced observers to oversee elections being conducted under difficult circumstances. For example, two long-term observers joined an OSCE-led mission tracking Mongolia's presidential elections last June. Others include:

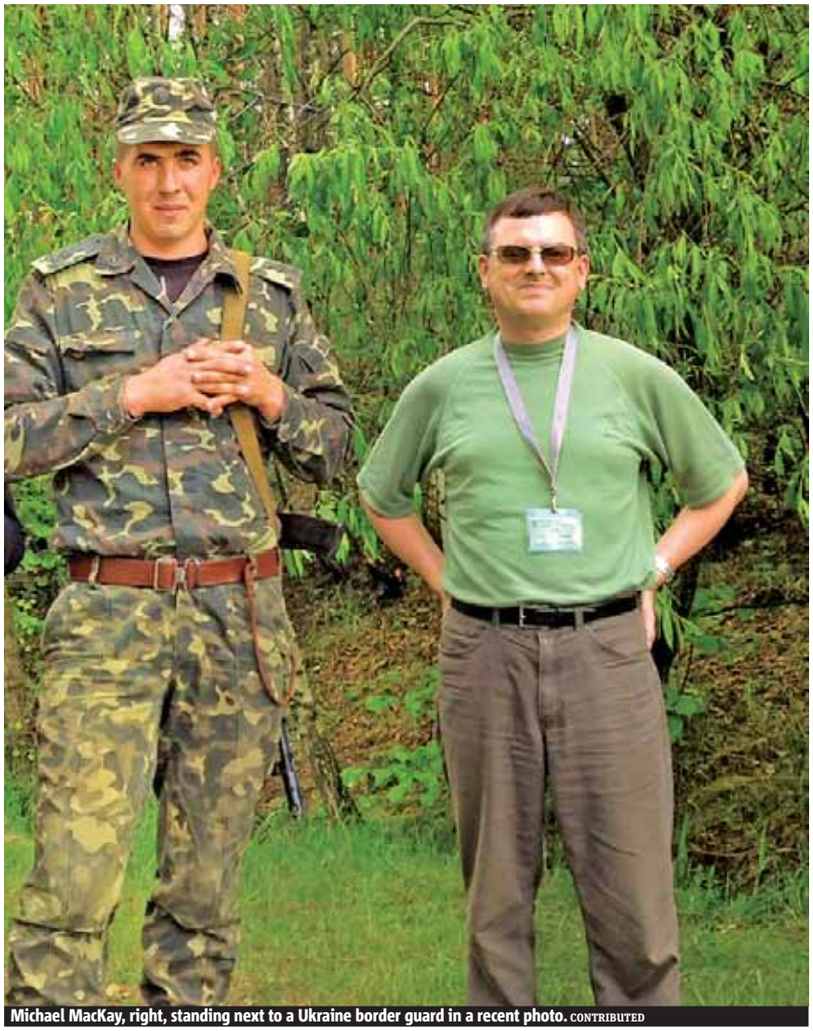
- Ukraine's 2012 parliamentary election — 490 observers
- Haiti's 2011 presidential election — 30 observers
- Palestine's 2006 parliamentary election — 58 observers

SOURCE: CANADEM

History

Modern election monitoring started with an 1857 vote in Romania, but the concept gained popularity after the end of the Cold War, as countries like Ukraine embraced democracy.

- While monitors produce a report, having watchers deters vote rigging.



Michael MacKay, right, standing next to a Ukraine border guard in a recent photo. CONTRIBUTED

Olga Radchenko

"I know that (the OSCE) has done this ... in various countries and in Ukraine specifically, so I'm not concerned."
Communications consultant, Toronto, short-term observer

Michael MacKay

"The mood isn't exhilaration; it's a determination. They're very realistic; they know there could be bad outcomes."
IT consultant and instructor, Ottawa, long-term observer

Christina Cherneskey

"I'd say 95 per cent of people were happy we were there. They would thank us."
Radio producer and Metro columnist, Regina, former long-term observer

World's largest gold producer hit with suit

Barrick Gold Corp.
Class-action lawsuit launched after mine project in South America misses construction deadline

Mining machinery and barrels of chemicals at the facilities of Barrick Gold Corp.'s Pascua-Lama project in northern Chile. JORGE SAENZ/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

Several Canadian law firms are pursuing a class action against Barrick Gold Corp. and some of its current and former senior officers, alleging they misrepresented how much risk the company faced when it undertook construction of the multibillion-dollar Pascua-Lama mine project in South America.

The project involves one of the world's largest deposits of gold, estimated at nearly 18 million ounces, but the company missed its original target of starting production in early 2013 due to opposition from local groups and Chilean authorities.

The suit, filed Wednesday with the Ontario Superior Court of Justice, alleges Barrick described Pascua-Lama as a feasible and highly economic project due to the low cost to construct the mine and to produce gold and silver from it, adding that the company knew or should have known that it would have to overcome significant obstacles.

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'We are worth more!' Protesters not lovin' the low pay at McDonald's

McDonald's CEO Don Thompson sought to address a growing chorus of critics on issues including worker pay and marketing to children at its annual meeting Thursday.

As hundreds of protesters chanted for higher wages outside, Thompson told the audience in the building that the company has a heritage of providing job opportunities that lead to "real careers."

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CEO responds

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1 **Happy birthday, Mr. Rubik('s cube)**: The addictive Candy Crush is all the rage nowadays, but back in the day it was the offline game Rubik's cube. The cube turned 40 this week and its birthday trended on Twitter. Google even honoured it with a supercool 3-D interactive doodle. I never could solve the darn thing, but man it was a badge of honour to carry it around at school — almost completed.

2 **#Dictionary.** Further proof (like we needed it) that social media is where it's at: among the new words added to Merriam-Webster's 2014 collegiate dictionary are "hashtag," "selfie," "tweep" and "crowdfunding." Yep, it's cool to read the dictionary again, kids. Just make sure to live-tweet it as you study it — and watch your auto-correct.

3 **Corey Hart about to hang up the sunglasses (at night).** The '80s teen icon behind the hit singles Sunglasses at Night and Never Surrender has announced his May 31 concert at the Bell Centre in Montreal will be his last performance. Also, he's releasing a self-published memoir, Corey Hart: Chasing the Sun. Here's hoping it includes a chapter on how we all chased his spiky hair look.

4 **Cine-please, the movies are expensive enough.** The Cineplex movie chain is doing a pilot program at the Varsity location in Toronto's Manulife Centre where patrons can pay extra to get prime seats in the middle rows of the theatre. This idea will either be a box-office smash or bust. Either way, it better come with extra-comfy chairs and buttered popcorn delivered to my seat.

5 **See Doogie Howser, M.D., in celebrity rehab?** Neil Patrick Harris's website teased out a unique upcoming autobiography that lets you choose the narrative — and the path of his life. Choose the right path on this adventure biography and get a tryout for Doogie Howser, M.D. Choose the wrong one and you could land yourself, er, him on a stint of Celebrity Rehab.

6 **Enduring imagination.** Brayden Denton, a five-year-old from Newton County, Ind., who died of brain cancer earlier this month, was a huge fan of superheroes — his favourite being Spider-Man. So when he passed away, his pallbearers dressed as Spidey, Batman, Superman, Thor, The Hulk and Iron Man. Brayden is in superhero heaven now. RIP, little guy.

7 **May the Force (for Change) be with you.** Donate $10 and you could have the chance to appear in J.J. Abrams' Star Wars: Episode VII sci-fi sequel. This is part of a new charity campaign run by Disney called Star Wars: Force for Change, and the proceeds go to UNICEF's Innovation Labs. Great idea that more movies and TV shows should embrace and offer fans.

8 **Polar bear, Pooh-Bear and the prince.** It didn't have the hoopla of Will and Kate's rock star-esque tour of 2011, but Prince Charles and Camilla's four-day visit to Nova Scotia, P.E.I. and Manitoba did draw buzz in a country that loves its royals. It was capped off in Winnipeg with a bear theme: Charles fed a polar bear at Assiniboine Park Zoo, and the royally dynamic duo visited the Winnie the Pooh Gallery museum.

ZOOM

This is too close to bear!

German photographer Ingo Arndt got close to this brown bear using a robo-camera vehicle. COURTESY INGO ARNDT

Wildlife photography

Photog uses robo-car to snap bear

Grizzly bears may look cute and cuddly, but they can also pull off a wicked death scare. The many personalities of the brown bear (Ursus arctos) have been captured by award-winning wildlife photographer Ingo Arndt, who travelled to the remote Lake Clark National Park in Alaska to document the majestic beast. MWN

Up close and personal

"This female coastal brown bear still had her very woolly winter coat. The weather was just perfect for the photo: warm light on the bear's head, nice clouds and a blue sky. She really looks both fearsome and affectionate."

Ingo Arndt, wildlife photographer based in Langen, Germany

Book cover

Arndt's photos of grizzlies feature in new book "Coastal Bears" (Küstenbären), published by Knesebeck.

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"Meanwhile in ..."

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Look, we get it. The "Meanwhile in Russia" thing is getting old and likely looking forward to retirement in Played Out country.

But sometimes one comes across a video — with zero context, mind you — that appears to be evidence of behaviour that sits so comfortably at the point where bizarre and reckless meet that, well, the only way to introduce it is "Meanwhile in Russia." (VideoCompilationTV/YouTube)

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See that symbol? It means you can scan the photo with your Metro News app and watch a clip from X-Men.

Mutant time travel a real trip

Reel Guys

RICHARD CROUSE AND MARK BRESLIN

Hugh Jackman stars in X-Men: Days of Future Past. CONTRIBUTED

Synopsis

Based on a 1981 two-issue special of the X-Men comic series, the new film begins in a post-apocalyptic future. Menacing robot warriors called Sentinels have created chaos for the mutant race, bringing them to the edge of extinction. To combat the threat, long-time enemies Professor X (Patrick Stewart) and Magneto (Ian McKellen) team up with Storm (Halle Berry), Blink (Fan Bingbing), Bishop (Omar Sy) and use Kitty Pryde's (Ellen Page) teleportation ability to send Wolverine (Hugh Jackman) back in time to change history and prevent the creation of the murderous automations.

- **Richard:** ●●●●○
- **Mark:** ●●●●○

X-Men. The latest instalment lives up to the franchise's reputation for smart, fun summer fare

Richard: Mark, Days of Future Past offers up two for the price of one. Merging the young versions of Magneto and Professor X with their older counterparts is a cool idea, and certainly gives the movie a boost in the marquee department, but I felt the old timers were left with their own heightened sense of drama and not much else. It seems a shame to have McKellen and Stewart, the Martin and Lewis of mutants, on screen together and not give them much to do. What did you think?

Mark: This instalment really belongs to McAvoy, Jackman, Jennifer Lawrence and Michael Fassbender. I didn't care for the "future" plot with the fogey mutants, but I thought the movie snapped to attention when it flashed back to 1973. The sense of time and place seemed very authentic; in one scene Lawrence is dressed exactly like Carly Simon on the cover of her third album. I half expected her to launch into a rendition of You're So Vain at Fassbender. There's some interesting historical revisionism revolving around JFK and Nixon that even conspiracy theorists would find preposterous — more X-Files than X-Men — but I appreciated the creative effort.

RC: It's a movie about time travel, mutants and serious actors like Michael Fassbender saying lines like, "We received a message from the future," so, of course, it's a little preposterous, but wrapped up in the time-bending plot are some interesting ideas about racism, tolerance, war and rebellion. Not usually the stuff of summer blockbusters, but the X-Men franchise has always been a bit brainier than most. At times it's a bit too ponderous, but I'll take that over the flash-and-trash of most CGI epics.

MB: Me too. I like the franchise for its superior acting, plotting, and its whiff of Ayn Rand objectivism. But it's got a sense of humour, too, which is rarely found in these epics. There's a fantastic scene in this movie where Evan Peters as the young Quicksilver, who can move faster than human time, rearranges an entire tableau of bad guys so they wind up hurting themselves instead of our heroes. But he does it with such juvenile glee that it captures the joy of being a powerful mutant and an adolescent prankster. And casting height-challenged Peter Dinklage to play a scientist out to destroy the "outsiders" is brilliantly ironic.

RC: The actors are all good, but I would argue that the real stars of the film are the ideas. Magneto, Professor and Wolverine are all complex, cool characters that bring the film's themes to life; all the rest is set dressing, except for the Quicksilver scene you mentioned. That was like The Matrix without Keanu's hangdog expression.

MB: Oh, and just a warning, Richard. When I googled the film there was a link to a movie called XXX Men. Do NOT click on this link!

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Drama

Fading Gigolo

Director. John Turturro

Stars. John Turturro, Woody Allen

Fioravante decides to become a professional Don Juan as a way of making money to help his cash-strapped friend, Murray. With Murray acting as his "manager", the duo quickly finds themselves caught up in the crosscurrents of love and money.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 54% **Audience:** 51%

Comedy

The Love Punch

Director. Joel Hopkins

Stars. Pierce Brosnan, Emma Thompson

Spanning locations in Paris, London and the French Riviera, The Love Punch brings together Pierce Brosnan and Emma Thompson for the first time, as ex-husband and wife Richard and Kate, whose biting banter suggests that the flames of their relationship have not been fully extinguished... Unfortunately the same cannot be said for their retirement nest egg which is wiped out when Richard's investment firm is defrauded and the pension fund is siphoned away.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 24% **Audience:** 74%

Family

Legends of Oz: Dorothy's Return

Director. Dan St. Pierre , Will Finn

Stars. Lea Michele, Jim Belushi

Legends of Oz: Dorothy's Return is a 3D-animated musical based on the adventure books by Roger Stanton Baum, the great-grandson of L. Frank Baum. A continuation of one of the world's most popular and beloved fairy tales, Legends of Oz finds Dorothy (Lea Michele) waking to post-tornado Kansas, only to be whisked back to Oz to try to save her old friends.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 0% **Audience:** + 75%

Comedy

Blended

Director. Frank Coraci

Stars. Adam Sandler, Drew Barrymore

After a disastrous blind date, single parents Lauren and Jim agree on only one thing: They never want to see each other again. But when they each sign up separately for a fabulous family vacation with their kids, they are all stuck sharing a suite at a luxurious African safari resort for a week in Blended, the third comedy collaboration between stars Adam Sandler and Drew Barrymore.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 11% **Audience:** + 87%

Drama/Family

The Amazing Spider-Man 2

Director. Marc Webb

Stars. Alex Kurtzman, Roberto Orci

In The Amazing Spider-Man 2, Peter Parker finds that a greater conflict lies ahead. It's great to be Spider-Man (Andrew Garfield). For Peter Parker, there's no feeling quite like embracing being the hero, and spending time with Gwen (Emma Stone). But being Spider-Man comes at a price: only Spider-Man can protect his fellow New Yorkers from the formidable villains.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 53% **Audience:** 72%

Comedy

Moms' Night Out

Director. Andrew Erwin (II) , Jon Erwin

Stars. Patricia Heaton, Sarah Drew

All Allyson and her friends want is a peaceful, grown-up evening of dinner and conversation — a long-needed moms' night out. But in order to enjoy high heels, adult conversation and food not served in a paper bag, they need their husbands to watch the kids for three hours ...What could go wrong?

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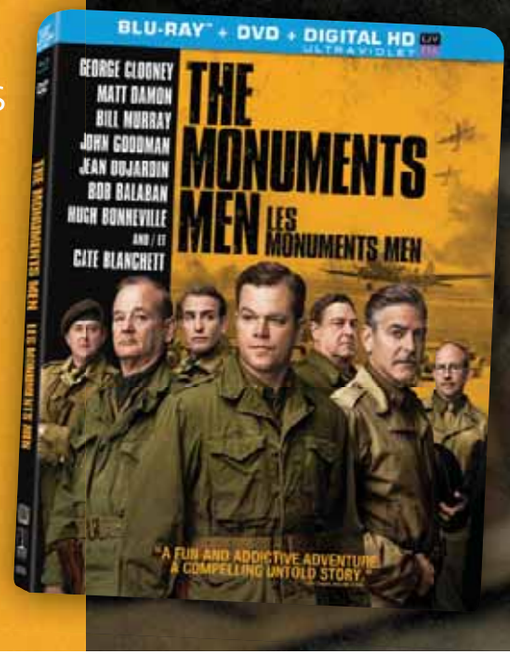

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Filmmaker sheds light on Night Moves

Behind the greens. Kelly Reichardt peeks into the psyches of environmental terrorists

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Metro World News in Hollywood

Night Moves stars Dakota Fanning, Jesse Eisenberg and Peter Sarsgaard. CONTRIBUTED

Filmmaker Kelly Reichardt's Night Moves offers an intimate look into the lives of three radical environmentalists (played by Jesse Eisenberg, Dakota Fanning and Peter Sarsgaard) looking to blow up a hydroelectric dam as a form of protest. And it's quite a detailed look — though she stops short of actually explaining how to build a bomb.

Environmental issues seem to be popping up in films more and more, as the issue is clearly not going away.
But it's been part of the conversation for a really long time. I can't remember when Earth First started, but people have been trying to lay their bodies down in front of bulldozers that are going to knock down trees for quite a while now, you know? But nevertheless, we were just really trying to make something that was today and just create a world, basically.

Where did this idea come from?
I don't know, it's been in the air with us for a while. My producer, Neil Kopp, was born and raised in Oregon, and Neil had grown up with a kid who had done something pretty radical that put him in jail for a while. If you're in the Northwest, it's around you. It's easy to wonder where the waterways came from, it's easy to look at the clear-cuts. People talk about the salmon a lot, so it's all sort of in the air. But then also I had just re-read Crime and Punishment and we were drawn to this type of process film, like Rififi, where you take time out in the middle of a film to really show how something's done. That was really attractive to me, the small steps to get to something as opposed to the big moment at the end of it. Basically how to take this little world that we hadn't seen represented in film so much and put it into the framework of a more traditional genre, and what would that look like?

Kelly Reichardt. GETTY IMAGES

Of course, when you're showing how people construct a bomb, you don't want to be too detailed.
Oh, you can go on the Internet and figure out how to build a bomb really quickly if you want, you know? For better or worse. I don't think ours acts as a real how-to guide in any way.

Right, you aren't naming types of charges or fuses, at least.
No, but you can Google Timothy McVeigh and find out everything you ever wanted to know, sadly, about building a bomb. You might not even want to put that in your article. My father was on the bomb squad for 20 years in Miami when I grew up, and I can remember being a teenager and some of my sister's friends stealing some of my dad's bomb-building books. The information's out there.

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Rocky Mountain Express (STC) A.M. Mon 11
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The Ultimate Wave Tahiti (STC) A.M. Tue 11

Dunbar Theatre 4555 Dunbar Street,

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Belle (G) Fri-Thu 1:15-4-6:50-9:25
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Pacific Cinémathèque 1131 Howe Street

Ashes and Diamonds (STC) Fri 6:30 Sun 8:30
Camouflage (STC) Fri 8:30 Sat 6:30
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Rude Awakenings (STC) Mon 7:30
A Short Film About Killing (STC) Thu 6:30
The Sweet Hereafter (STC) Wed 7

Park Theatre 3440 Cambie Street

Million Dollar Arm (G) Fri 4-6:45-9:30 Sat-Sun 1:20-4-6:45-9:30 Mon-Thu 4:30-7:10

Rio on Broadway 1660 E. Broadway

Boogie Nights (STC) Mon 7
Jurassic Park (PG) Sat 8
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The Land Before Time (G) Sat 6
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No Films Showing Today (STC) Wed
NOW: In the Wings on a World Stage (PG) Thu 9:30
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Maleficent 3D (STC) No Passes Thu 7-9:40
The Metropolitan Opera: Werther - Encore (STC) Sat 9 Mon 6:30
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Godzilla (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 12-3-6-9 No Passes Mon 3-5:50-8:45 No Passes Tue 12:05-3-5:50-8:50 No Passes Wed-Thu 3-5:50-8:45
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Godzilla: An IMAX 3D Experience (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 1:15-4:10-7:10-10:15 No Passes Mon 1:10-4-6:50-9:45 No Passes Tue 12:50-3:50-6:50-9:50 No Passes Wed 1:10-4-9:45 No Passes Thu 1:10-4
Heaven Is for Real (G) Fri-Sat 12:15-2:45-5:15-7:50-10:25 Sun 3:05-5:35-8:10-10:45 Mon 12:30-3-5:30-8-10:25 Tue 12:15-2:45-5:15-7:50-10:25 Wed 2:20-4:55-10 Thu 7:05-9:35
Kochadaiiyaan (14A) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:10-7:05-10:05
Legends of Oz: Dorothy's Return (G) Fri 1:05 Sat 10:40-1:05 Sun-Thu 1:05
Maleficent: An IMAX 3D Experience (STC) No Passes Thu 7-9:30
March of the Penguins (STC) Sat 11
The Metropolitan Opera: Werther - Encore (STC) Sat 9
Million Dollar Arm (G) Fri-Thu 1-4-7-10
A Million Ways to Die in the West (14A) No Passes Thu 9:30
Neighbors (18A) Fri-Sun 12:40-3:10-5:40-8:10-10:45 Mon-Thu 12:40-3:05-5:30-7:55-10:20
The Other Woman (PG) Fri-Sun 11:55-2:35-5:20-8:05-10:50 Mon-Wed 2-4:50-7:35-10:25 Thu 2-4:50-10:25
Predator (STC) Sun 12:45 Wed 7:30
Rio 2 (G) Fri 12 Sat 10:35-12 Sun 12 Mon 12:45 Tue 12 Wed-Thu 12:45
Rio 2 3D (G) Fri 2:35-5:15-7:55-10:30 Sat 10-2:35-5:15-7:55-10:30 Sun 2:35-5:15-7:55-10:30 Mon 3:30-6:15-9 Tue 2:35-5:15-7:55-10:30 Wed-Thu 3:30-6:15-9
Romeo Ranjha (PG) Fri-Thu 3:35-6:40-9:40
X-Men: Days of Future Past (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:25-12:55-3:25-3:55-6:25-6:55-9:25-9:55 No Passes Mon 12:30-3-3:30-6-6:30-9-9:30 No Passes Tue 12-12:15-3-3:20-6-6:30-9:10-9:40 No Passes Wed 12:30-3-3:30-6-6:30-9-9:30 No Passes Thu 12:30-3:30-6-6:30-9-9:30 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Thu 2

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X-Men: Days of Future Past 3D (PG) No Passes Fri 1:25-4:25-7:25-10:25 No Passes Sat 10:20-1:25-4:25-7:25-10:25 No Passes Sun 1:25-4:25-7:25-10:25 No Passes Mon 1-4-7-10 No Passes Tue 12:40-3:50-7-10:10 No Passes Wed-Thu 1-4-7-10 No Passes Fri-Sun 11-1:55-4:55-7:55-10:55 No Passes Mon-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:30

SilverCity Metropolis 4700 Kingsway Ave.

The Amazing Spider-Man 2 (PG) Fri-Thu 12:20
The Amazing Spider-Man 2 3D (PG) Fri-Sun 3:45-7:10-10:35 Mon-Thu 3:35-6:50-10:05
Blended (PG) Fri-Sun 11:25-2:10-5-7:50-10:40 Mon-Thu 1:25-4:25-7:25-10:20
Godzilla (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:30-3:30-6:30-9:30 No Passes Mon-Thu 12:15-3:15-6:15-9:15
Godzilla 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 1-4-7-10 No Passes Mon-Thu 12:45-3:45-6:45-9:45 No Passes Fri-Sun 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:30 No Passes Mon-Wed 1:15-4:15-7:15-10:15 No Passes Thu 1:15-4:15
Maleficent 3D (STC) No Passes Thu 7-9:30
March of the Penguins (STC) Sat 11
Million Dollar Arm (G) Fri-Sat 11:10-2-4:50-7:35-10:25 Sun 2-4:50-7:35-10:25 Mon-Thu 1:05-4:05-7:05-9:55
A Million Ways to Die in the West (14A) No Passes Thu 9:30
Neighbors (18A) Fri-Sun 11:05-1:20-3:40-6-8:25-10:50 Mon-Thu 12:50-3:10-5:35-8-10:25
X-Men: Days of Future Past (PG) No Passes Fri 12:15-3:15-6:15-9:15 No Passes Sat 1:05-4:05-7:05-10:05 No Passes Sun 12:15-3:15-6:15-9:15 No Passes Mon-Wed 12:30-3:30-6:30-9:30 No Passes Thu 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:30
X-Men: Days of Future Past 3D (PG) No Passes Fri 1:05-4:05-7:05-10:05 No Passes Sat 12:15-3:15-6:15-9:15 No Passes Sun 1:05-4:05-7:05-10:05 No Passes Mon-Wed 1-4-7-10 No Passes Thu 12:30-3:30-6:30 No Passes Fri-Sun 11-1:55-4:55-7:55-10:55 No Passes Mon-Wed 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:30 No Passes Thu 1-4 No Passes Thu 7:15-10:15

SilverCity Coquitlam 170 Schoolhouse Street,

The Amazing Spider-Man 2 (PG) Fri-Thu 6:40-9:55
The Amazing Spider-Man 2 3D (PG) Fri-Sun 12:30-3:55-7:20-10:40 Mon 2-5:15-8:30 Tue 12:30-3:55-7:20-10:40 Wed-Thu 2-5:15-8:30
Blended (PG) Fri-Tue 1:55-4:45-7:35-10:25 Wed 4:45-7:35-10:25 Thu 1:55-4:45-7:35-10:25 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
Captain America: The Winter Soldier (PG) Fri-Wed 1 Thu 2:45
Captain America: The Winter Soldier 3D (PG) Fri-Wed 4:10-7:25-10:35 Thu 6:15
Divergent (PG) Fri-Thu 9:30
The Fatal Encounter (14A) Fri-Sun 12:40-3:50-7:05-10:15 Mon 12:45-3:50-7:05-10:15 Tue 12:40-3:50-7:05-10:15 Wed-Thu 12:45-3:50-7:05-10:15
Godzilla (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:45-3:45-7-10 No Passes Mon 2:45-5:45-8:45 No Passes Tue 12:45-3:45-7-10 No Passes Wed-Thu 2:45-5:45-8:45
Godzilla 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 2:45-5:45-8:45 No Passes Mon 3:45-6:45-9:40 No Passes Tue 2:45-5:45-8:45 No Passes Wed-Thu 3:45-6:45-9:40
No Passes Fri 1:20-4:25-7:30-10:30 No Passes Sat 2-4:50-7:45-10:45 No Passes Sun 1:20-4:25-7:30-10:30 No Passes Mon 1:20-4:20-7:20-10:20 No Passes Tue 1:20-4:25-7:30-10:30 No Passes Wed 1:20-4:20-7:20-10:20 No Passes Thu 1:20-4:20 No Passes Fri-Sun 12:30-3:40-6:50-10 No Passes Mon 4:30-7:30-10:30 No Passes Tue 12:30-3:40-6:50-10 No Passes Wed 4:30-7:30-10:30 No Passes Thu 4:20
Heaven Is for Real (G) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:05
Legends of Oz: Dorothy's Return 3D (G) Fri-Sun 12:15 Mon 1:10 Tue 12:15 Wed-Thu 1:10
Maleficent 3D (STC) No Passes Thu 7:20-10 No Passes Thu 7-9:45
March of the Penguins (STC) Sat 11
The Metropolitan Opera: Werther - Encore (STC) Sat 9
Million Dollar Arm (G) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:15-7:15-10:10 Fri-Sun 2:30-5:30-8:30 Mon 3:30-6:30-9:30 Tue 2:30-5:30-8:30 Wed-Thu 3:30-6:30-9:30
A Million Ways to Die in the West (14A) No Passes Thu 9:30 No Passes Thu 10:15
Neighbors (18A) Fri-Sun 12:35-3:05-5:35-8:05-10:35 Mon 2:30-5:10-7:40-10:05 Tue 12:35-3:05-5:35-8:05-10:35 Wed-Thu 2:30-5:10-7:40-10:05 Fri-Sun 2-5-7:50-10:50 Mon 5-8-10:30 Tue 2-5-7:50-10:50 Wed 5-8-10:30 Thu 5-7:45
The Other Woman (PG) Fri-Sun 12-2:40-5:20-8-10:45 Mon 2:15-5-7:50-10:30 Tue 12-2:40-5:20-8-10:45 Wed-Thu 2:15-5-7:50-10:30
Rio 2 (G) Fri 1:45 Sat 11:10-1:45 Sun-Thu 1:45
Rio 2 3D (G) Fri-Thu 4:20-6:55
X-Men: Days of Future Past (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:10-3:20-6:30-9:40 No Passes Mon 12:50-3:50-6:50-9:50 No Passes Tue 12:10-3:20-6:30-9:40 No Passes Wed 4-7-10 No Passes Thu 12:50-3:50-6:50-9:50 No Passes Fri-Sun 12-3:10-6:20-9:30 No Passes Mon 5:30-8:45 No Passes Tue 12-3:10-6:20-9:30 No Passes Wed-Thu 5:30-8:45
Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
X-Men: Days of Future Past 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:50-4-7:10-10:20 No Passes Mon 2:10-5:15-8:30 No Passes Tue 12:50-4-7:10-10:20 No Passes Wed-Thu 2:10-5:15-8:30 No Passes Fri-Sun 1-4:10-7:20-10:30 No Passes Mon 3:50-7-10:10 No Passes Tue 1-4:10-7:20-10:30 No Passes Wed 3:50-7-10:10 No Passes Thu 3:50-7:25-10:30 No Passes Fri 1:35-4:40-7:45-10:50 No Passes Sat 11 No Passes Sun 1:35-4:40-7:45-10:50 No Passes Mon 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:30 No Passes Tue 1:35-4:40-7:45-10:50 No Passes Wed-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:30 No Passes Sat 1:55-4:55-7:55-10:55

Clova 5732-176th St., Surrey

Godzilla (PG) Fri 7 Sat-Sun 1-7 Mon-Thu 7

Hollywood 3 Cinema 7125-138th Street, Surrey

Divergent (PG) Fri-Thu 6:30-9:15
God's Not Dead (PG) Fri-Thu 6:45
Heaven Is for Real (G) Fri-Thu 4:30-6:35-9:05
Legends of Oz: Dorothy's Return (G) Sat-Mon 12:30
Legends of Oz: Dorothy's Return 3D (G) Fri 4:30 Sat-Mon 2:30-4:30 Tue-Thu 4:30
The LEGO Movie (G) Fri 4:40 Sat-Mon 12:30-2:35-4:40 Tue-Thu 4:40
Mr. Peabody & Sherman (G) Sat-Mon 12:30-2:30
Noah (STC) Fri-Thu 8:40

Strawberry Hill Grande 12161-72nd Ave, Surrey

The Amazing Spider-Man 2 (PG) Fri-Sun 12:40 Mon-Thu 1
The Amazing Spider-Man 2 3D (PG) Fri-Sun 4:10-7:20-10:40 Mon-Thu 4:10-7:20-10:30
Blended (PG) Fri-Tue 1:50-4:40-7:25-10:20 Wed 4:40-7:25-10:20 Thu 1:50-4:40-7:25-10:20 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
Godzilla (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 1:15-4:15-7:15-10:15 No Passes Mon-Wed 2:10-5-8 No Passes Thu 1:10-4:10
Godzilla 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 1:45-4:50-7:50-10:45 No Passes Mon-Thu 1:45-4:50-7:40-10:30
Heropanti (STC) Fri-Thu 1:35-6:30-9:35
Kochadaiiyaan (14A) Fri-Thu 1:05-4-7:05-10:05
Maleficent 3D (STC) No Passes Thu 7-9:35
March of the Penguins (STC) Sat 11
Million Dollar Arm (G) Fri-Tue 1:10-4:20-7:10-10:10 Wed 4:20-7:10-10:10 Thu 1:10-4:20-7:10-10:10 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
A Million Ways to Die in the West (14A) No Passes Thu 9:35
Neighbors (18A) Fri-Sun 12:45-3:15-5:45-8:10-10:30 Mon-Thu 1-3:25-5:45-8:05-10:25
Romeo Ranjha (PG) Fri-Wed 12:55-3:50-6:45-9:40 Thu 12:55-3:50-6:45
X-Men: Days of Future Past (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:20-3:25-6:25-9:30 No Passes Mon-Thu 3:25-6:25-9:30
X-Men: Days of Future Past 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Wed 12:50-3:55-7-10 No Passes Thu 12:50-3:55-7-7:15-10-10:05 No Passes Fri-Sun 1:20-4:25-7:30-10:35 No Passes Mon-Wed 1:15-4:15-7:15-10:15 No Passes Thu 1:15-4:10

Studio 12 Guildford 15051-101st Ave, Surrey

The Amazing Spider-Man 2 (PG) Fri-Sat 10:25-4:20 Sun-Thu 4:20
The Amazing Spider-Man 2 3D (PG) Fri-Mon 12:35-6:20-9:35 Tue 12:35-6:20 Wed 12:35-6:20-9:35 Tue 9:35
Blended (PG) Fri-Sat 10:40-1:35-4:35-7:20-10:10 Sun-Thu 1:35-4:35-7:20-10:10
Captain America: The Winter Soldier (PG) Fri-Thu 9:15
Focus on the Family Presents: Irreplaceable (PG) Wed 7:30
Godzilla (PG) Fri-Sat 10:15-1:15-4:15-7:15-10:15 Sun-Thu 1:15-4:15-7:15-10:15
Godzilla 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 12:45-3:45-6:45-9:45
Maleficent 3D (STC) Thu 7:10-9:40
Million Dollar Arm (G) Fri-Sat 10:20-12:40-3:40-6:50-9:40 Sun-Thu 12:40-3:40-6:50-9:40
A Million Ways to Die in the West (14A) Thu 9:50
Neighbors (18A) Fri-Sat 10:10-1:40-3:50-7:40-10:20 Sun-Thu 1:40-3:50-7:40-10:20
The Other Woman (PG) Fri-Sat 10:35-1:20-4:05-6:40-9:20 Sun-Tue 1:20-4:05-6:40-9:20 Wed 1:20-4:05 Thu 1:20-4:05-6:40
Rio 2 (G) Fri-Sat 10:05-12:50-3:35-6:25 Sun-Thu 12:50-3:35-6:25
Romeo Ranjha (PG) Fri-Sun 1:10-4:10-7:10-10:05 Mon 1:10-7:10-10:05 Tue-Thu 1:10-4:10-7:10-10:05 Mon 4:10
X-Men: Days of Future Past (PG) Fri-Sat 10-12:30-3:30-6:30-9:30 Sun-Thu 12:30-3:30-6:30-9:30
X-Men: Days of Future Past 3D (PG) Fri-Sat 10:30-1-1:30-4-4:30-7-7:30-10 Sun-Mon 1-1:30-4-4:30-7-7:30-10 Tue 1-1:30-4:30-7-7:30-10 Wed 1-1:30-4-4:30-7-7:30-10 Thu 1-1:30-4-4:30-7:30 Tue 4

Criterion 4 White Rock 2381 King George Highway

The Amazing Spider-Man 2 (PG) Fri 7:30 Sat-Mon 2-7:30 Tue-Thu 7:30
Godzilla (PG) Fri 7:10-9:25 Sat-Mon 2:10-7:10-9:25 Tue-Thu 7:10-9:25
Neighbors (18A) Fri 7:20-9:35 Sat-Mon 2:30-7:20-9:35 Tue-Thu 7:20-9:35
X-Men: Days of Future Past (PG) Fri 7-9:30 Sat-Mon 2:20-7-9:30 Tue-Thu 7-9:30

Colossus Langley 20090-91A Ave, Langley

The Amazing Spider-Man 2 (PG) Fri-Sun 7:05-10:30 Mon-Thu 6:55-10:05
The Amazing Spider-Man 2 3D (PG) Fri-Sun 12:40-4:05-7:40-11 Mon-Thu 3:45-7:15-10:25
Bears (G) Fri 12:15-2:20 Sat 11:15-12:15-2:20 Sun 12:15-2:20
Blended (PG) Fri-Sun 1:40-4:35-7:30-10:25 Mon-Tue 4:20-7:10-9:55 Wed 7:10-9:55 Thu 4:20-7:10-9:55 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 3
Cabin Fever 3: Patient Zero (STC) Thu 7:30
Captain America: The Winter Soldier (PG) Fri-Sun 1:25-7:25 Mon-Tue 7:20 Thu 7:20
Captain America: The Winter Soldier 3D (PG) Fri-Sun 4:30-10:15 Mon-Thu 4:05-10:25
Divergent (PG) Fri-Sat 12:30-3:55-7:25-10:35 Sun 3:55-7:25-10:35 Mon-Tue 3:40-7:05-10:10 Wed-Thu 3:40-10:10
Focus on the Family Presents: Irreplaceable (PG) Wed 7:30
Godzilla (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:20-3:20-6:20-9:25 No Passes Mon-Tue 5:05-8:05 No Passes Wed 5-8:05 No Passes Thu 5:05-8:05
Godzilla 3D (PG) No Passes Fri 1:55-4:55-7:55-10:55 No Passes Sat 11-1:55-4:55-7:55-10:55 No Passes Sun 1:55-4:55-7:55-10:55 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:30-7:30-10:30 No Passes Fri-Sun 1:20-4:20-7:20-10:20 No Passes Mon-Thu 4-7-10
Godzilla: An IMAX 3D Experience (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:50-3:50-6:50-9:55 No Passes Mon-Wed 3:30-6:30-9:30 No Passes Thu 3:30
Heaven Is for Real (G) Fri 1:45-4:25 Sat 11:10-1:45-4:25 Sun 1:45-4:25 Mon-Thu 4:15
Legends of Oz: Dorothy's Return (G) Fri 12:10-2:30-5 Sat 11:20-12:10-2:30-5 Sun 12:10-2:30-5 Mon-Thu 4:35
Maleficent: An IMAX 3D Experience (STC) No Passes Thu 7-9:45
March of the Penguins (STC) Sat 11
The Metropolitan Opera: Werther - Encore (STC) Sat 9
Million Dollar Arm (G) Fri-Sun 1-4-7:10-10:10 Mon-Tue 4:10-7:15-10:10 Wed 7:15-10:10 Thu 4:10-7:15-10:10 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 3
A Million Ways to Die in the West (14A) No Passes Thu 9:45
Neighbors (18A) Fri-Sun 12:45-3:15-5:45-7:30-8:15-10-10:45 Mon-Wed 4:15-7:05-7:35-9:45-10:15 Thu 4:15-7:05-7:35-10:15
The Other Woman (PG) Fri-Sun 12-2:45-5:20-8-10:40 Mon-Thu 4:40-7:25-10:20
Predator (STC) Sun 12:45 Wed 7:30
The Railway Man (14A) Fri-Sun 4:30-7:05-10:05 Mon-Tue 3:55-7:10-10:05 Wed 7:10-10:05 Thu 3:55-7:10-10:05
Rio 2 (G) Fri 4:35-10:35 Sat 11:05-4:35-10:35 Sun 4:35-10:35 Mon-Thu 4:20-10:20
Rio 2 3D (G) Fri-Sun 1:50-7:35 Mon-Thu 7:20
X-Men: Days of Future Past (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:05-3:10-6:15-9:20 No Passes Mon-Thu 5-8
X-Men: Days of Future Past 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:35-1:05-3:40-4:10-6:45-7:15-9:50-10:20 No Passes Mon-Thu 3:30-4-6:30-7-9:30-10 No Passes Fri 1:35-4:40-7:45-10:50 No Passes Sat 11-1:55-4:55-7:55-10:55 No Passes Sun 1:35-4:40-7:45-10:50 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:30-7:30-10:30

Twilight Drive-In 260th Street & Fraser Highway, Langley

Brick Mansions (PG) Fri-Sat 1:30
Rio 2 (G) Fri-Sat 9:15 Sun-Thu 11:30
X-Men: Days of Future Past (PG) Fri-Sat 11:15 Sun-Thu 9:15

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$0 down‡
freight and PDI included.

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MSRP $17,185** includes freight and PDI

Model shown: FB2E2EEX

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MSRP $27,685** includes freight and PDI

Model shown: RM3H3EES

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CAR BUYER'S GUIDE

WEEKEND, May 23-25, 2014

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Wish list. Shoppers seeking vehicles that will deliver short-term and long-term benefits

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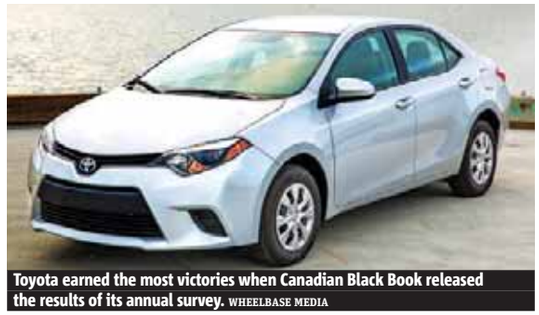
Today's smart car shoppers know that value in a new car purchase includes more than a long list of features and an attractive price tag.

More than ever, shoppers are demanding vehicles that deliver value in the short term with their price and feature content, as well as long-term value in terms of reliability, maintenance costs and the all-important area of retained value.

To help these value-minded shoppers make sound decisions and to identify the best models for retained value on the road today, Canadian Black Book presented its 2014 best retained value awards earlier this year. A Canadian authority on vehicle residual values, Canadian Black Book analysts scoured countless transaction records, data points and other factors to identify vehicles from 2010 that best held their value through to the end of 2013.

"Although Canadianblackbook.com proclaims the winners, in effect, it's the Canadian car buyer who decides who wins our best retained value awards," said Josh Bailey, vice-president, research and editorial for Canadian Black Book. "In the end, it is consumer perceptions and how much they're prepared to pay for cars and trucks that ultimately determines how much a vehicle is worth."

Canadian Black Book listed the Subaru Outback as the best retained value mid-size vehicle. WHEELBASE MEDIA



Toyota earned the most victories when Canadian Black Book released the results of its annual survey. WHEELBASE MEDIA

Honda and Mercedes-Benz recorded multiple first-place nods in the retained value awards, as did vehicles from Toyota and Chrysler. Notably, Toyota earned the most victories, with some models earning top honours for the fifth consecutive year.

The Subaru Outback, which has earned numerous retained value awards both north and south of the border, was also identified as the winner in the mid-size car category, with the Dodge Challenger earning top place for retained value in the sports car segment.

Full details are available online at Canadianblackbook.com.

Dennis DesRosiers, a leading automotive analyst, is a strong advocate of factoring in a vehicle's retained value before making a decision.

"This can help car buyers get a better sense of the total cost of ownership, which is becoming even more relevant today, as people get into longer-term financing situations."

Resale or residual values are a function of many things. Brand reputation, safety, implementation of technologies, long-term reliability, repair costs and realistic matching of market supply with market demand are some examples. In any case, today's shopper is highly aware that certain vehicles do a better job of holding their value into the long term, rather than depreciating drastically as soon as they leave the dealer lot. Be sure to investigate the residual value of the model you are considering as part of your purchase process.

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Automakers are fully capitalizing on the latest in data-enabled smartphone capability with their in-car entertainment systems. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE FILE

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Before buying a vehicle, ask a mechanic to put it on a hoist and have a look at the exhaust system, suspension and steering system. SHUTTERSTOCK

It's more than kicking the tires

JUSTIN PRITCHARD
For Metro

A car is a machine made of parts and components that will eventually wear out, break, and require replacement.

To help protect yourself from expensive surprises, and to help confirm that the seller isn't trying to pass along a repair they would love to be someone else's problem, here are a few important used car checks you shouldn't miss.

Listen up: Use your ears to hear the condition of two important parts of your potential used ride — its suspension and its brakes.

Once you have confirmed that the stereo and climate control fan both work properly, turn them off and listen to the vehicle carefully as you hit bumps, holes, dips and cracks at varying speeds. Do you hear any popping, clunking, clicking or clanking noises? That's the sound of you having one or more suspension parts changed in the near future.

Then roll down your window as you coast at a fairly low speed. Try braking with light to moderate pedal pressure a few times. Squealing or screeching sounds are a likely sign that you will need a brake job, too.

Fluids: Check the condition and level of all fluids of the vehicle you are considering, and be sure the seller was fond of doing the same. If you are unsure of the fluid-change history of the model in question, budget for a full fluid change for maximum peace of mind.

Computer scan: As a car ages, various sensors, just like any other part of the car, will wear out and require replacement. A computer scan can save money and add peace of mind to a used-car purchase by revealing potentially hidden electronic issues.

Get it in the air: Ask a mechanic to put the vehicle on a hoist and have a look around. With the car in the air, the condition of the exhaust system, suspension, steering system, and the presence of any leaks can be easily identified. If the model has excessive rust, a hole in the floor, a leaky rear-main seal or a transmission line that's been flattened on a speed bump, now is the time to find out.

EAT 3

Liquid Assets

Where are you, spring?

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I've given up waiting for spring, not to mention summer. I keep looking at the calendar and then out the window, and nothing seems to be jiving.

Though it may be rainy and cold in most parts of our "wonderful" country, I'm determined to embrace reality and sit out on my deck even if it is with an umbrella in hand.

The liquid philosophy that certain wines are tied to a specific season has always rubbed me the wrong way. While a big-boned red may not be the ideal tipple after mowing the lawn in early August; that doesn't mean you couldn't enjoy a glass with a barbecued steak come dinnertime.

Of course, some wineries target the seasons. E & J Gallo's Barefoot Refresh Summer Red ($11.95 - $15.99) has one in its name.

A blend of pinot noir rosé and moscato, it's a glass full of lightly sweet, freshly crushed red berries that go as well with warmer weather as it would with Christmas dinner.

Serving tip: Try over ice. **PRICES REFLECT THE RANGE ACROSS THE COUNTRY. SOME PRODUCTS MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE IN ALL PROVINCES.**

Want a delightful contrast of juicy, crunchy and creamy textures? Annabel Langbein, who brings good food into today's fast-paced world, shows us a salad that meets those expectations from her cookbook, The Free Range Cook.

Pear, Walnut and Haloumi Salad: A plate of contrasts

THE FREE RANGE COOK
Annabel Langbein
gustotv.com

This recipe serves six as a starter. ANNABEL LANGBEIN

Ingredients

- 4 tbsp neutral oil (e.g. grapeseed)
- 1 cup fresh walnut pieces
- 2 just ripe pears
- juice of 1/2 lemon
- 250 g haloumi, thinly sliced
- 6 handfuls (150 g) fresh watercress sprigs or baby spinach leaves
- 2 avocados, cut into chunks (optional)
- salt and ground black pepper

1. Heat 3 tbsp of the neutral oil in a fry pan and fry the walnuts over a medium heat until lightly browned — about 2-3 minutes. Lift out of the oil with a slotted spoon and drain on a paper towel. Reserve the oil to dress the salad. Alternatively, roast them dry on an oven tray at 180 C for 12-15 minutes.

2. Halve and core the pears and slice each half into 6-8 wedges. Place in a mixing bowl and toss gently with the lemon juice.

3. Heat the remaining 1 tbsp oil in a fry pan over a high heat. Fry the haloumi slices until they are golden on both sides.

4. Place watercress or spinach in a large mixing bowl. Add the pears and their juices, the walnuts and their oil (if the walnuts have been baked, add 2 tablespoons olive oil), the fried haloumi and the avocado, if using. Season to taste with salt and pepper then toss gently. Transfer to a serving bowl or individual plates to serve.

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East Side Flea

May 24, 1882 Adanac St.

This weekend, head to The Wise Hall at 10 a.m. and get ready for a day of treasure hunting at this community-driven event that has continually seen an amazing array of local vendors, artists and creatives alike. Drawing from the success and appeal of NYC's famous Brooklyn Flea, the East Side Flea aims to showcase an explosion of artistry. For more info and vendor listings, visit: eastsideflea.com.

Art Battle 141

Friday, May 23, 928 Main St.

It's live, competitive painting at its best and it all goes down this Friday at a new venue: the Electric Owl. Don't miss a dozen of Vancouver's best professional and emerging artists, who will compete for a $500 cash prize, bragging rights and a spot in the Art Battle Vancouver Finals taking place in July 2014. This year has been fantastic for live art and Vancouver hopes to take home the National Championship once again. For more details, visit: artbattle.ca.

Now open: ARC at the Fairmont Waterfront Hotel

900 Canada Place Way

Check out the recently revamped and reopened restaurant at the heart of Vancouver's Fairmont Waterfront Hotel: ARC. It brings a brand new, sleek sense of style to one of the city's oldest hotels with a curved architectural design and daily locally inspired goods and chef creations. Open daily for breakfast, lunch and dinner, with a great post-work menu of lighter bites. More info visit: fairmont.com.

Woman2Warrior

May 25, 3883 Imperial St.

Don't miss Woman-2Warrior, a non-timed run covering about five kilometres of trails, track, and grass around Burnaby Central Park and Swangard Stadium. Sign up solo or grab some girlfriends (each person must raise a minimum $300 to participate). This fun (and sometimes muddy) event is filled with prizes, awards and a sweet after party for all fundraisers and finishers. If you're not competing, you can still cheer on the participants. Learn more about it here: woman2warrior.ca.

Portobello West

May 24-25, 1 Athletes Way

The Portobello West Market is back for a weekend of stylish fun at the Creekside Community Recreation Centre. Don't miss this two-day market that promises plenty of new vendors that'll be showcasing their unique creations. Add to your spring/summer wardrobe with one-of-a-kind jewelry pieces, nab special gifts for upcoming weddings, spoil yourself with luxurious, locally made lotions and beauty products, and nosh on homemade goodies. For a complete list of details visit: portobellowest.com.

The Business of Craft Beer

May 29, 319 Main St.

Don't forget to grab tickets for next week's exclusive kickoff to Vancouver Craft Beer Week taking over The Imperial. Score an insider's look at the business of BC's booming beer industry, listen to local experts, mingle with like-minded brew enthusiasts and sample your way through the latest local offerings. Join author Joe Wiebe and take in a keynote speech courtesy of Ninkasi Brewing's own Jamie Floyd. Tickets are $75 per person; find all the details here.

4 SPORTS

MLS

Mattocks gets green card ahead of Seattle match

Darren Mattocks has been through plenty of change over the past few months, but it's been mostly to do with attitude. His latest transformation probably had a lot more paperwork involved.

The Vancouver Whitecaps announced Thursday that the speedy striker has obtained his green card from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, which means he is now considered a domestic player in Major League Soccer and no longer holds an international spot on the club's roster.

The Whitecaps originally drafted the Jamaican native with the second overall pick in the 2012 MLS SuperDraft.

The Whitecaps now have 10 international spots occupied, and two available should the club choose to bring in a player in the secondary transfer period, which starts in July.

Mattocks has been hampered by a recent hamstring injury, however he began the week back at training, saying at the time that he had been pain-free in his left hamstring for about five days.

The Whitecaps host the Seattle Sounders FC at BC Place Stadium on Saturday. It's the first meeting of the season between the two Cascadia Cup rivals.

CAM TUCKER/METRO

Canucks captain Henrik Sedin can go back to leading his team when a new bench boss is selected by newly-hired GM Jim Benning. NATHAN DENANADIAN PRESS FILE

More questions come with new GM

Jim Benning. Choosing a new head coach will be boss's top priority

CAM TUCKER
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Now that the suspense of who will be the Vancouver Canucks' next general manager is behind us, the next steps into this massive organizational shift begin.

The Canucks made it official on Wednesday: Jim Benning is the club's new GM.

He will meet fans during a live webcast on Friday morning, and then speak to the media.

After the Canucks managed to scoop up Benning — an assistant general manager with the Boston Bruins for the past seven years who had reportedly interviewed with the Pittsburgh Penguins for their vacant GM job — one would have to the think the priority now is finding a head coach.

In the wake of the disaster that turned out to be the one-year John Tortorella era — the team's record, absence from playoffs and position near the bottom of the NHL in scoring provide a general overview of the their most recent descent — it only stands to reason the successful candidate would have to be someone capable of adjusting their style and system to some degree to fit the personnel of this team.

And then there are the qualities in a head coach that Benning is looking for.

Will the successful candidate be someone with years of experience running an NHL bench? Will it be an up-and-coming coach who has put in their time in junior or the American Hockey League? Do they coach an attacking style that allows for offensive creativity and gives fans something to get excited about like they were only a few short years ago?

Maybe we'll get a better idea Friday. Certainly, Benning must already have a pretty good sense of the challenges that await him with this job.

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League's-best Buehrle helps Jays sweep Sox

MLB. Pitcher maintains hot streak as Toronto sluggers hit 67-homer mark versus Boston

Mark Buehrle got his major league-leading eighth win with a big boost from Toronto's powerful lineup.

Neither was surprising.

"Look what he's done all year," Blue Jays manager John Gibbons said after a 7-2 win over the Boston Red Sox on Thursday. "Who's pitched better in baseball?"

Buehrle (8-1) has eight wins through May for the first time since 2002 and an ERA of 2.16. He gave up two runs in the first two innings, but by then Toronto had seven, starting with homers on consecutive pitches by Melky Cabrera and Jose Bautista in the first inning.

That gave the Blue Jays a major league-high 67 homers and gave Buehrle a big cushion.

The 15-year veteran lefty blanked the Red Sox for his final five innings and allowed seven hits and no walks while striking out five in seven innings.

Dustin McGowan pitched two shutout innings as the Blue Jays took a half-game lead over the New York Yankees in the AL East.

"It's nice, obviously" to lead the majors in wins, "but I've always said you can go out your next eight starts and (stink) and be under .500," Buehrle said. "I try to throw it out the window and get ready for my next start."

Toronto improved to 8-2 in its past 10 games, while Boston lost its seventh straight.

"We're in a stretch of games here where we're giving up too many runs early and we're scuffling to score runs," Boston manager John Farrell said. "That's a dangerous combination."

Buehrle retired 11 of his last 12 batters. He began the day tied with Zack Greinke, Rick Porcello and Adam Wainwright with seven wins each. The Dodgers' Greinke was scheduled to pitch against the New York Mets on Thursday night. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Blue Jays starting pitcher Mark Buehrle pitches to the Red Sox during the first inning at Fenway Park, Thursday. CHARLES KRUPA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Horoscopes

♈ Aries
March 21 - April 20
Money issues have taken centre stage for some time but now the Sun has changed signs you should be a bit more relaxed about what you own and what you earn. If your social life has suffered make up for it today.

♉ Taurus
April 21 - May 21
You need to come down to earth and deal with matters of a practical nature. Above all, you must be sensible with money, especially if you are the kind of Taurus who takes an "easy come, easy go" attitude to cash.

♊ Gemini
May 22 - June 21
Your head and heart are working in harmony now, so anything you begin over the next few days will be successful. Don't let the doubters talk you into changing your plans.

♋ Cancer
June 22 - July 23
To make sense of what occurred in recent weeks you need to stand back and see life from a wider perspective. What is it all for? Where is it all taking you? These are the sort of questions you need to ask.

♌ Leo
July 24 - Aug. 23
It may seem as if you have reached your limits. There are people who will happily help you out but what you need to realize is they can't read your mind. If you need help — ask!

♍ Virgo
Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Over the next few days you will get the chance to put some of your big ideas to the test. One of those ideas could turn your life around and send you off in a direction you never imagined.

♎ Libra
Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
One of the best times of the year for you is now under way, so get rid of any negative attitudes and start looking forward to all the good things that will be coming your way.

♏ Scorpio
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
The more you try to give up things you know aren't good for you, the more you end up indulging. Maybe you need to wallow in what you desire until you desire it no more.

♐ Sagittarius
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
Now that the Sun has moved into the partnership area of your chart, you will have to take what others think and see and need into account more than you usually do.

♑ Capricorn
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
Over the next few days you will have to decide what is worth carrying on with and what needs to be junked. Don't let sentiment play a part in your decision: put your needs first.

♒ Aquarius
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Dark days are behind you and everything light. Well, maybe it's not that good — yet. But it's now within your power to change your life in major ways. Forget about yesterday, today is the only day that matters.

♓ Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
Social activities are important, of course, but your home life is what you should be focusing on now. If there are problems in the domestic sphere it's unlikely you will be happy in other areas, so look for solutions – you'll find them. **SALLY BROMPTON**

Crossword: Canada Across and Down

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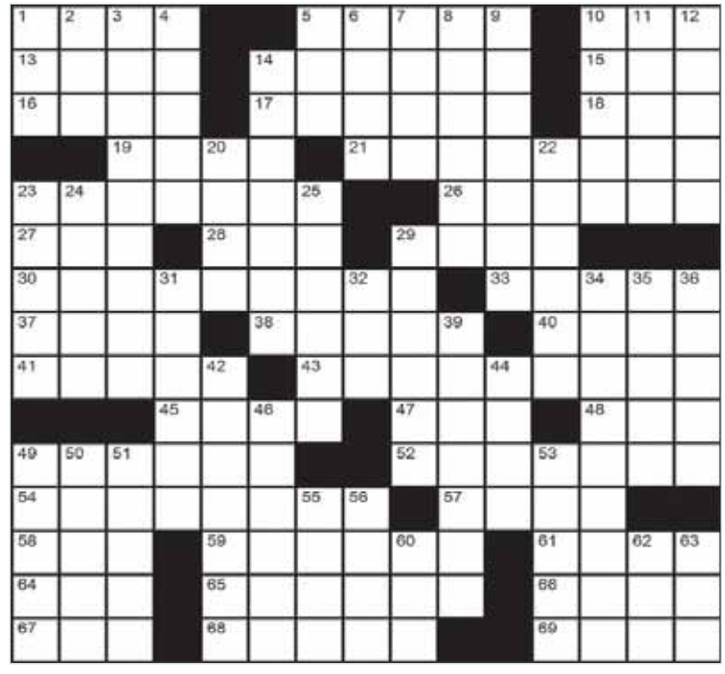


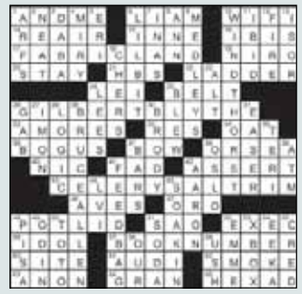
Across

1. Mag. readership
5. Plank
10. Alsatian artist Jean
13. Crosswords creature
14. Follow
15. Chemin de __ ('Railroad' in French)
16. Agyness __ (English model)
17. Canadian channel, Travel + __
18. "Eww! Don't tell me!"
19. Sunup
21. Stir-fry veggies: 2 wds.
23. City Opera Vancouver's new show making its world premiere tonight (See #54-Across for more!)
26. Seizes control
27. Handheld add-on
28. __-pack (Sit-up doer's goal)
29. Non-nobleman
30. "Don't Walk Past": New Wave hit for what Canadian band?: 2 wds.
33. __ male
37. Honolulu gifts
38. TV show: French
40. Persian Gulf land
41. Kiln kinds
43. Southwestern Ontario: Lake Erie community with an Imperial Oil refinery
45. Tilled
47. Active ingred. in marijuana
48. "Alice" boss
49. Literary introductions
52. __ Cat
54. For the opera about the Mohawk/Quaker poet and performer at #23-Across... Music: Tobin Stokes - __: Margaret Atwood
57. Tartan-wearing bunch
58. Noun's li'l modifier
59. Beauty treatments site: 2 wds.
61. Palomino's pace
64. Bee's follower
65. On _ __ basis
66. Stagnate
67. Ouest's opposite
68. Brewer's __
69. Convict's unit

Down

1. Scoundrel
2. Dvorak's "Symphony No. 9 __ _ Minor"
3. Canadian actor whose roles include Michael on "La Femme Nikita" and Maurice Richard in "The Rocket" (2005): 2 wds.
4. Ship's 'locked' route
5. Greyhound vehicle
6. Hostile-to-Hobbits humanoids
7. "__ __ example..."
8. "Supermodel (You Better Work)" singer
9. __-__ diving
10. Blue Rodeo's "__ the Rain"
11. Update a route
12. Fuddy-duddy
14. Phased-out Canadian coins
20. Will-o'-the-__
22. __ Works and Government Services Canada
23. Mr. Picasso
24. Cop _ __ (Bargain in court)
25. Stretch
29. Some fabrics
31. Biblical heroine
32. Canadian rapper, JD __
34. k.d. lang's "Friday Dance __"
35. Cod-like fishies
36. Anoint, archaically
39. 'E' in PETA
42. Glass Tiger hit
44. 'Alphabet' suffix
46. Mansion's setting
49. Canada __ (Pink-hued government building in Edmonton)
50. Fairground features
51. __ d'art
53. Coldplay's recent song
55. Ms. Banks
56. 'Psych' suffix
60. Toronto-born actor Mr. Mastroianni
62. Chicago's state [abbr.]
63. __. number

Yesterday's Crossword



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How to play
Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

3		9		7	1			8
	4		6					5
	2		3				9	
2							5	
		4	1		3	7		
	6							1
	3				5		7	
4					9		2	
9			7	2		4		

Yesterday's Sudoku

3	6	1	2	8	5	7	9	4
2	5	7	9	4	1	3	6	8
4	9	8	7	6	3	1	2	5
5	8	9	6	1	7	4	3	2
1	2	3	4	5	8	9	7	6
6	7	4	3	2	9	8	5	1
7	1	6	5	3	4	2	8	9
9	4	2	8	7	6	5	1	3
8	3	5	1	9	2	6	4	7

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